



"Yet it isn't the gold that I'm wanting, so much as just finding the gold."

– Robert W. Service

OTTS NEWSLETTER

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PORTLAND OREGON BASED METAL DETECTORISTS CLUB

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Presidents Message *by Rick Page*

January has treated us well for good weather. February is looking good too. I hope you all have taken advantage of this unusual situation.

Your board is working to come up with a new design for the club member card we hand out to prospective members. Thanks for Randy and Byron's input. We hope to have a sample of the new design at our next meeting.

Special thanks for those of you who signed up for bringing treats to the meetings. We all appreciate your tasty efforts.

As we mentioned at the last meeting the club is donating all pull-tabs to the Eagles Lodge. Remember to clean off the dirt before donating.

Until next month

Rick Page
President



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January 2018 OTTS Meeting Minutes

Due to technical difficulties, the meeting minutes and raffle results for January are not included in this month's newsletter.

They will be added and re-posted at the earliest possible time.

Thanks for your understanding and patience.





JANUARY CLUB HUNT:

The January OTTS club hunt was held on Sunday January 28, we meet at the McDonalds at 2110 4th plain Blvd. in Vancouver Washington.

We had 2 schools to hunt, Laura Bush middle and Glenwood Heights primary school.

We had 20 members and 19 stayed at the count out. The day was cool and damp.... (the rain held off...yeah!) I hid 15 tokens plus the special token...and 13 tokens were found.

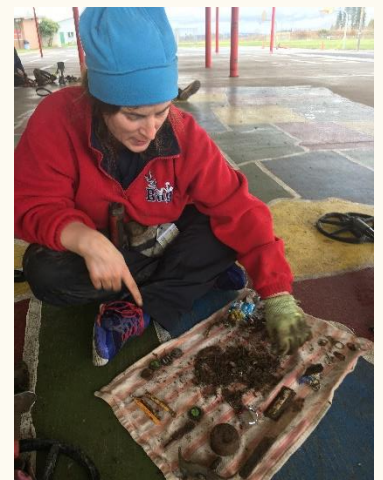
The membership draw was won by Don Fantz. We found 17.12 pounds of trash... (Mike Maloney) found a piece of pipe that weighed

6 pounds, (sorry no prize), but he did find the most pieces of trash, for which he won a silver quarter. The oldest coin found was a 1944 wheat. We also found 18 pieces of costume jewelry, 1 Eisenhower dollar, a total of \$48.16 in clad, 4 foreign coins, and no gold or silver was found.

Next hunt: Saturday, March 3rd, 2018, McDonalds Located at 8149 SE Stark... (82nd & Stark)
Meet at 8:00 am and leave for hunt at 9:00.

Top six:

Tim Schade - 89, Bill Bogynska - 76, Byron dun - 71,) Jerry Hittle - 64 Laura Alvstad - 61, and Rick Page - 57.





FIND OF THE MONTH

Oldest US Coin

- 1st Tim B., 1894-S Barber quarter
- 2nd Tim S., 1895 Indian head penny
- 3rd Tom S., 1924-S Mercury dime

Most Valuable US Coin

- 1st Tom S., 1944-D Walking Liberty half
- 2nd Tim B., 1951-S Franklin half
- 3rd Don F., 1937 Mercury dime

US Coin

- 1st Tim B., 1928-S Standing Liberty quarter
- 2nd Bill B., 1927-S Mercury dime
- 3rd Don F., 1945 Mercury dime

Foreign Coin

- 1st Tim B., 1930 Silver Panama inscribed Dec. 28 (19)43
- 2nd Don F., 1910 Silver French Indo China 10 cents
- 3rd Bill B., 2002 Germany 1 Euro

Token

- 1st Linda C., USMC Toys for tots
- 2nd Rick P., Marathon FL Fire Rescue 911
- 3rd Don F., Veteran's recovery token

Gold Jewelry

- 1st John M., 75 (18k) Ring w/ 5 diamonds
- 2nd Don F., 14k Two band ring w/ CZ
- 3rd Tim S., 14k Filigree ring

Silver Item

- 1st Tim S., 33.4 Gram Baphomet ring
- 2nd Rick P., Silver (tested) artisan design ring
- 3rd Tim B., Sterling flower ring

Jewelry

- 1st Bill B., Medieval cross ring
- 2nd Tim B., Fire opal ring
- 3rd Jeff S., Half moon pendant

Artifact

- 1st Tim B., Brass dolphin & whale figurines
- 2nd Don F., Hessian soldier button
- 3rd Bill B., Civil War button

Display

- 1st Tim B.
- 2nd Bill B.
- 3rd Tim S.

Item of the Month

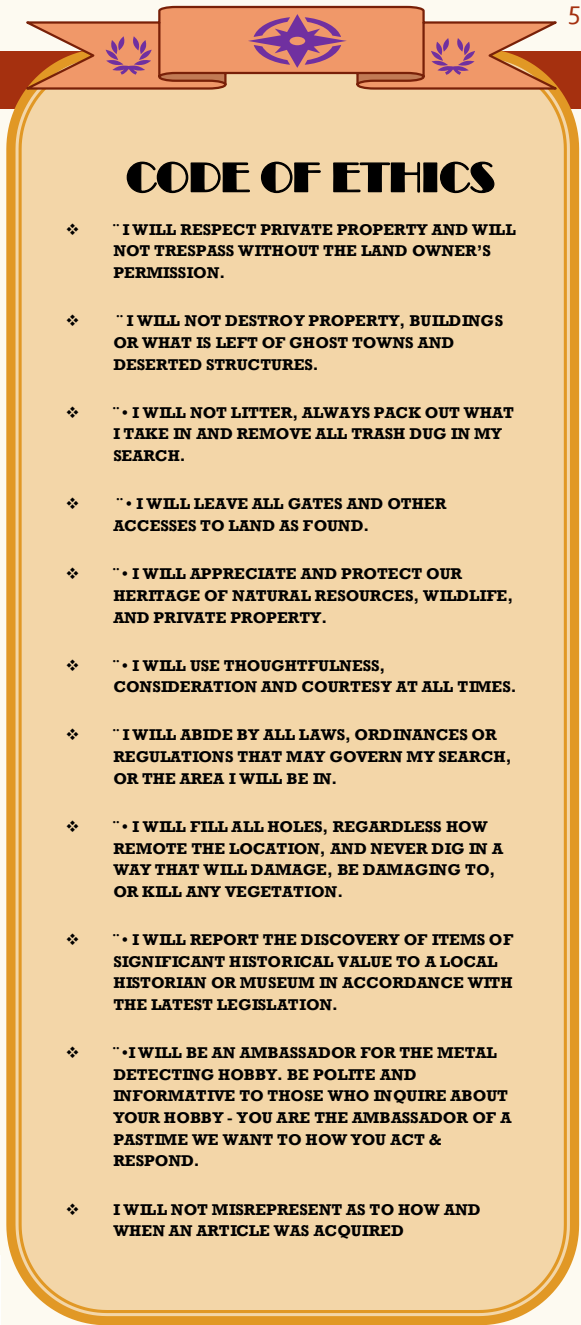
- 1st Tim S., 1928 Lost Trails Insurance plaque
- Tie Don F., Rosary icon
- 3rd Bill B., "Wormed" Minnie ball bullet

Best of the Best

- Don F., 14k Two band ring w/ CZ

2018 Detectorist of the Year Standings

1 st Tim Bogynska	29	6 th Tom Severson	10
2 nd Bill Bogynska	18	7 th Linda Carlson	9
Tie Don Fantz	18	8 th Jeff Sikorski	8
4 th Tim Schade	16	9 th John McClanathan	6
5 th Rick Page	12		



JANUARY BIG RAFFLE RESULTS		

CODE OF ETHICS

- ❖ " I WILL RESPECT PRIVATE PROPERTY AND WILL NOT TRESPASS WITHOUT THE LAND OWNER'S PERMISSION.
- ❖ " I WILL NOT DESTROY PROPERTY, BUILDINGS OR WHAT IS LEFT OF GHOST TOWNS AND DESERTED STRUCTURES.
- ❖ "• I WILL NOT LITTER, ALWAYS PACK OUT WHAT I TAKE IN AND REMOVE ALL TRASH DUG IN MY SEARCH.
- ❖ "• I WILL LEAVE ALL GATES AND OTHER ACCESSES TO LAND AS FOUND.
- ❖ "• I WILL APPRECIATE AND PROTECT OUR HERITAGE OF NATURAL RESOURCES, WILDLIFE, AND PRIVATE PROPERTY.
- ❖ "• I WILL USE THOUGHTFULNESS, CONSIDERATION AND COURTESY AT ALL TIMES.
- ❖ " I WILL ABIDE BY ALL LAWS, ORDINANCES OR REGULATIONS THAT MAY GOVERN MY SEARCH, OR THE AREA I WILL BE IN.
- ❖ "• I WILL FILL ALL HOLES, REGARDLESS HOW REMOTE THE LOCATION, AND NEVER DIG IN A WAY THAT WILL DAMAGE, BE DAMAGING TO, OR KILL ANY VEGETATION.
- ❖ "• I WILL REPORT THE DISCOVERY OF ITEMS OF SIGNIFICANT HISTORICAL VALUE TO A LOCAL HISTORIAN OR MUSEUM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LATEST LEGISLATION.
- ❖ "• I WILL BE AN AMBASSADOR FOR THE METAL DETECTING HOBBY. BE POLITE AND INFORMATIVE TO THOSE WHO INQUIRE ABOUT YOUR HOBBY - YOU ARE THE AMBASSADOR OF A PASTIME WE WANT TO HOW YOU ACT & RESPOND.
- ❖ I WILL NOT MISREPRESENT AS TO HOW AND WHEN AN ARTICLE WAS ACQUIRED

COINS FOR FEBRUARY BIG RAFFLE

Gold Coin: 2002 China Year of the Horse 1/10 oz gold coin

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| 1901O Morgan dollar | 1957D Franklin half |
| 1921 Morgan dollar | 1960D Franklin half |
| 1922D Peace dollar | 1964D Kennedy half |
| 1922S Peace dollar | 1964D Kennedy half |
| 1922S Peace dollar | 1850 Large cent |
| 1923 Peace dollar | Mystery Envelope ??? |



Hi everyone, it's time for the big raffle again. I hope you all are saving your money to purchase a lot of tickets this month. Tickets are one for \$1.00 or six for \$5.00 with 25% going back to the club. I would like to ask that you have correct dollar amounts whenever possible, this would help keeping the line moving. Thank you all for your participation.



JANUARY Plinko Results:

JANUARY Quarter Drop Results:

NOTICES



Here's a peek at our new club card (top) which will soon be available for members to have and present.

This version is much cleaner than the old card and much easier to read, and the photos spotlight our family club orientation.

O.T.T.S. 2018 Picnic and Hunt

Rooster Rock State Park

Sunday July 29th beginning 10A.M.

Try your luck at the Dart Board, Wheel of Fortune, Plinko, Quarter Drop, Raffle and the Hungry Hog.

Free Kids Hunt [12 and under] 10:30AM to 11:00AM

Lunch served 11:30AM to 12:30PM, games close at 1:15PM and will reopen after Adult Hunt, close for drawings approx. 3:15PM.

Competition Hunt from 1:30PM to 2:30PM

Field will be seeded with silver coins, clad coins, prize tokens, treasure chest keys [one unlocks the booty]

Early Hunt Registration Now through July 27th Members \$25, non-Members \$50, day of Hunt Members \$40, and non-Members \$65

Field will be cleared of stakes and tape at 5:00PM and will be open to all Detectorists

O.T.T.S will furnish hamburgers, hot dogs, condiments, soda, water, plates, cups, and utensils. Member side dishes: O-Z bring appetizers or chips, I-N bring side dishes, A-H bring dessert.

Parking fee \$5 per vehicle, dogs must be leashed, no alcohol or smoking.

If you don't play you can't win, so bring some extra \$

[application for hunt will be on web site and FB]

FOR SALE

SUN RAY INVADER DX-1 TARGET PROBE

Light Weight,
Waterproof/Submersible,9"X1"

Probe mounts on top of shaft

Compatible: Whites DFX, MXT and Spectra V3 - also with some Minelabs

Cost: \$249.00

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Reminder

Club dues are officially due on December 31st; however, we extended this to January 31st for the Members convenience. If dues are not paid by January 31st member will no longer be on the Clubs roster or eligible for Member benefits. If there are extenuating circumstances, please discuss with Club President or Treasurer.

MEMBERS PAGE

BUILD YOUR OWN ELECTROLIS KIT - By Jim Cornwell

- 1 Glass container – i.e.: Mayonnaise Jar
- 1 AC-DC Adapter: Buy at Radio Shack under \$10
- 120V AC input
- 9V DC output
- 1 Table spoon
- 2 Small alligator clips – one to attach to coin and one to attach to spoon.

Split wire out of Adapter and attached an alligator clip to each end. Bend spoon so it hangs over the rim into solution inside jar. Use a solution of water & salt (1Tbs salt) in container. Place one alligator clip to Coin and other to outside spoon end. Put alligator clips into solution BUT do not let wires/clips touch!

Plug Adapter unit into room socket. Clip holding coin should start bubbling. If not, and spoon bubbles - Unplug – the polarity is wrong. Just reverse the two alligator clips and you should be all set to go.

Notes:

The water gets dirty quickly, so you can't see the coin. After a few minutes unplug the adapter and check its condition – depending on the type metal it can be eaten up somewhat rapidly. Using a soft brass brush, you can help get off some Corrosion.

PRACTICE A FEW TIMES ON A DIRTY –NO VALUE- COIN!!

WARNING: Do not breathe fumes coming out of container – they are **toxic**.

Have fun – Good Luck

EDITORS NOTE: Submissions are screened only for grammar and spelling.

CHALLENGE TOKEN 2018

RULES:

- Please follow the **Metal Detecting Code of Ethics**. This is for fun and we want to be able to continue this event in the future.
 - Each month, a new clue will be published in the newsletter.
 - A Bonus clue will be given to those attending the monthly club meeting.
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- When found, turn in the Challenge Token at the next OTTS club meeting for the prize.
 - Have fun figuring out the clues and Happy Hunting!

❖ JANUARY

- As our solar body closes each day; you must stay South of this Highway.

❖ FEBRUARY

- Dividing Metropolis, a current gentle and slow; keep West of this (river), as North it does flow.

❖ March

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About Us

The Oregon Treasure Trail Society was formed in 1982 when five avid hobbyists put \$5 each into the kitty and started the club as an effort to provide an organization that would unite people together with the same interests in metal detecting and searching for coins, tokens, and other small interesting treasures of the past.

Today, we continue to provide a wonderful environment for those interested in this great hobby. Our club provides an opportunity to join with others and enjoy spending time on outings and sharing experiences. Everyone is welcome to attend one of our meetings.

We meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month, at 6:00 p.m. for social hour hold the meeting at 7:00 pm. Come early and socialize with members from 6:00 to 7:00

Eagles Lodge

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